

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE DIVISION[645]**

**Adopted and Filed**

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Social Work hereby amends Chapter 279, “Administrative and Regulatory Authority for the Board of Social Work Examiners,” Chapter 280, “Licensure of Social Workers,” Chapter 281, “Continuing Education for Social Workers,” and Chapter 283, “Discipline for Social Workers,” Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment changes the name of the Board of Social Work in response to 2007 Iowa Acts, chapter 10, which renamed health-related examining boards as licensing boards.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on September 9, 2009, as **ARC 8101B**. A public hearing was held on September 29, 2009, and public comments were allowed through that same date.

During the time for public comment, the Board received 80 comments. Comments pertained to the definition of “diagnosis.” Some commenters favored the definition; most commenters opposed limiting the definition of “diagnosis” to the use of the DSM IV. As a result of the comments received, Board review, and review of the Assistant Attorney General assigned to the Board, the definition for “diagnosis” has not been adopted and will be reconsidered.

This amendment was adopted by the Board of Social Work on November 9, 2009.

This amendment will become effective January 20, 2010.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 21, 147, 154C and 272C.

The following amendment is adopted.

Strike “board of social work examiners” wherever it appears in **645—Chapter 279** to **Chapter 281** and **Chapter 283** and insert “board of social work” in lieu thereof.

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